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- 1. An OTLICHNYY-Class destroyer was bunkering in Klaipeda at 0930 hours on 7 October 1955. It left at 1200 hours and returned to the yard at 1800 hours. On 8 October at 1400 hours, it went to sea. It was armed with one 130 mm. dual mount forward, a similar mount aft, two 76 mm. guns in a dual mount aft, six or eight 37 mm. guns, and eight torpedo tubes. The ship had a Soviet merchant ship-type navigation radar on the foretop. On the forward range finder was a large fire control radar made in four parts, each part with a long horn (horn radiator, see Sketch No. 1). Above the 76 mm. pieces was a smaller fire control radar which had a parabolic reflector (bowl type) and a horn radiator.
- 2. On 11 October at 1030 hours, the destroyer returned, flying a rear admiral's (kontr-admiral) flag and anchored off the shipyard. The destroyer was escorted by four MTB's three were of a modified U.S. type with two torpedo tubes on the deck. The boats had radar under a plastic dome on a cage mast on the bridge. The mast was also a signal mast. (See Sketch No. 2) was of another type and had both a signal mast with antennas and a tripod mast with radar under a plastic dome. All the MTB's bunkered, after which the entire force put to sea at 1330 hours.

On 9 October at 1430 hours, two motor gun boats, (See Sketch No. 3), arrived for bunkering. Their armament consisted of one 37 mm. or 40 mm. gun forward and aft and two dual 20 mm. guns aft of the bridge. Eight depth charges were mounted in two rows on the afterdeck. Two exhaust stacks were visible on each side. Judging by the exhausts, the boat was gasoline powered. A crew of twelve was visible while the boat was underway.

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4.	On 16 October, there were no naval ships off Leningrad Lightship. The following ships lay in the harbor at Kronshtadt: Two SVERDLOV-Class cruisers, and three S 4-Class submarines, ships were at the dock in Kronshtadt: One four-masted bark, the ex-PADUA; the KOMSOMOLETS, with two stacks that were broader and more modern than previously, and only one yard on each mast; the ADMIRAL	25X1 25X1
	MAKAROV; the KRASNOYE ZNAMYA; one white-painted bark; and the OKTYABRSKAYA REVOLYUTSIYA. Alongside the OKTYABRSKAYA REVOLYUTSIYA was a pontoon crane with an estimated lifting capacity of 200 tons. A regrouping of light batteries was taking place on the OKTYABRSKAYA REVOLYUTSIYA. The guns above the middle 305 mm. mounts had been removed. Ten minesweepers of various types and five ARTILLERIST-Class submarine chasers in the 300 series were moored to the quay. An ARTILLERIST-Class submarine chases upassed in the channel.	25 X 1
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<i>)</i> .	Morskoy Canal. The destroyer carried two radar antennas on the mast. The upper antenna was one usually used on Soviet merchant ships. The lower one was a grid-type fire control radar. (See Sketch No. 4.) Directly in front of the after 76 mm. mount, was a four-armed grid-type radar antenna with a long horn on each section. (See Sketch No. 4.)	25X1
6.	On 19 October, in Kronshtadt, a large submarine was being fitted out. The light gray color contrasted with the	25X1
	other ships in the area. The tower was unusually long. (See Sketch No. 5) No armament or net cutting wires or supports were visible. The submarine had two stern tubes that looked as if they could be trained horizontally. In position N59-48. E25-08, there was one	25X1
	SVERDLOV-Class cruiser and a SILNYY-Class destroyer The distance between the ships was two nautical miles. The cruiser had six radar antennas, four on the foremast and two on the mainmast. The after raised mounts on the destroyer were missing. There appeared to be no other installation in their place.	25X1 25X1
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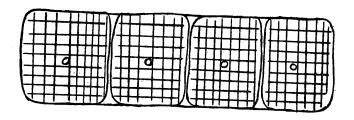
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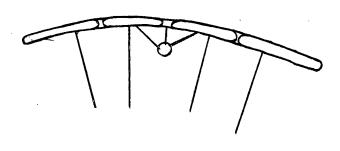
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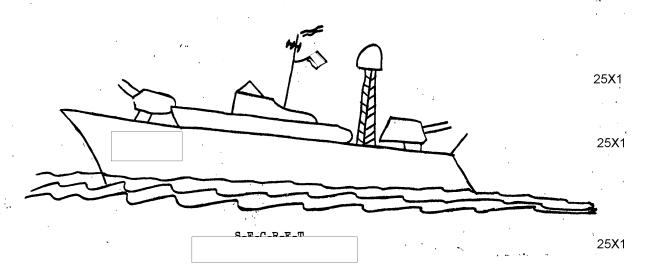
Radar antenna on OTLICHNYY-Class destroyer:





Sketch No. 2:

MTB in rear admiral's force:



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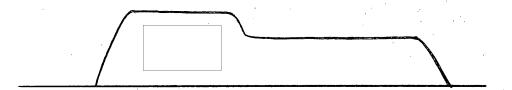
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Sketch No. 5:

Conning tower of a submarine being fitted out in Kronshtadt:



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